

## AMERICAN SHRINES

Pilgrimage to Fredericksburg and  
Adjacent Battlefields.

## GROUP OF HISTORIC PLACES

With Impressive Relations—Compre-  
hensive Plans for the Preservation  
of Chancellorsville, the Wilderness  
and Spottsylvania—Lessons of War  
Taught in Successive Campaigns.

Fredericksburg, Virginia, correspondent of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat: A pilgrimage begins at Fredericksburg on the south bank of the Rappahannock. Behind is the river which Burnside's army crossed in the early morning of a clear, cold December day in 1862. Before the pilgrim is a plain now partly covered with the after-war Fredericksburg, then an open field. Beyond the field rise Marye's Heights, steep, stone-walled, the position of all a military commander would choose to block the way of an invading army. Up from the bank of the river, over the plain and to the heights, Burnside's lines of battle came and melted. That was the "first Fredericksburg," the first great storming charge of the war, and it failed. The next day found the shattered army of the Potomac across the river, and there it remained until spring, when a new commander, Hooker, began a new campaign with the month of May.

Profiting by Burnside's experience, Hooker crossed at several points above Fredericksburg. Lee left his impregnable position around the city and marched west to get between Hooker and the way to Richmond. The pilgrim riding out of Fredericksburg along the Orange plank road, having left behind him Marye's Heights scarcely a half score of miles, comes to where Hooker and Lee faced each other at Chancellorsville in the spring of 1863 and played a game of war as different as possible from that of the "first Fredericksburg." It was there that Jackson, leaving Lee squarely facing Hooker, marched all day by a long detour to the south through forested roads and at 5 o'clock in the afternoon came out into the open, facing with his three lines of battle the unthinking extreme right of Hooker. He had gone past the Union army, had turned and had come back. Before dark an entire corps, Howard's, the Eleventh, had been rolled up, changed into a panic-stricken mob and sent flying down upon the rest of the army, making the most successful surprise of the whole war. But that same night Lee sustained a loss greater than Hooker's. Jackson, feeling about in front of his line to prepare for the morning movement, was shot by his own men. The five or six days about Chancellorsville left two exhausted armies, and Hooker, deciding not to go to Richmond by the way of the Rappahannock, drew back across the Rappahannock.

The pilgrim passes right on westward by Chancellorsville over the same plank road. Hardly has he covered as much of it as the stretch where Jackson fortified his lines and drove the Eleventh Corps pell mell to the eastward, when he comes out upon the "Wilderness," the northward, are five miles from where Burnside had fought his "first Fredericksburg" and within half the distance from where Hooker, in May of 1863, had met Lee at Chancellorsville. Grant started for Richmond. Burnside started for the Confederate capital by way of Fredericksburg, Hooker by way of Chancellorsville, and Grant by way of the Wilderness. The three starting points were on an east and west line, less than twenty-five miles long. But the three years of war had taught something. The days of the impossible, like that storming of Marye's Heights, had gone by. So had the opportunities for such a paralyzing surprise as Jackson gave Howard at Chancellorsville.

Grant crossed the Rappahannock undiscovered, but within a day Lee had started from Orange Court House, moving eastward by the turnpike and the plank road leading from Orange Court House to Fredericksburg. The Wilderness is about half of the distance. And there Grant, going south, and Lee, coming east, had their initial meeting the first week of May, 1864.

The pilgrim leaves the easterly course and turns southward to follow the route of the fortunes of war from the 5th of May to the 14th of that month. The new course is not due south. It bears to the eastward considerably. Its length is, perhaps, a little more than twelve miles. Grant was ten days going that distance. Those were momentous days. They revealed to Lee the presence of a man who did not turn back. They included everything known to the strategy and horror of war.

In history the period covers the battles of the Wilderness and of Spottsylvania. Moving to the southward, Grant was compelled to face westward continuously. He made a dozen miles by taking advantage of the hills in the fighting, and moving a corps from the right of the line of battle back to the rear and around to the left. Thus the left wing was slowly extended, while the right was shortened. And this was done over hills, through swampy places, across streams, the face of the country was alternately cleared, fields and plains and cedar and oak forests were dense undergrowth. As Grant moved a corps at a time Lee pressed forward, fortifying and waiting for attack, endeavoring by each movement to shunt the course of Grant, to the eastward, and off the di-

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## CONDITION OF ALL BANKS.

Expected Interesting Financial State-  
ment—Reasons for Call Made on  
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WASHINGTON, July 4.—Comptroller Dawes has special reasons for the date fixed for the last call upon the National banks for the report of their condition. He fixed the date at June 30 because it is the close of the fiscal year and because he has made an appeal to the officers of the banking departments in all the states to obtain their reports for the same date. He thus hopes to be able to present a birdseye view of the exact banking condition of the country—national banks, state banks and private banks and loan and trust companies—on a single date. This has not been done in any previous report by the comptroller. The summer report last year on the part of the national banks was called for on July 14 and for 1897 on July 23. The spring reports were made earlier this year than usual and nearly three months have elapsed since the date on which it was fixed. Comptroller Dawes began his correspondence with the state banking officials soon after completing his last annual report, in order to obtain an early agreement upon uniform reports. He found a cordial welcome for his propositions from most of the state officials, and one or two even wrote him volunteering support when they heard of his plans.

Reports have been printed from the state and private banks in the annual report of the comptroller for a number of years, but they have been for various dates scattered through the spring, summer and autumn. They have not been without value, since they have afforded a general indication of the banking condition of the country during the year, but their value will be greatly increased, in the opinion of the official students, by having them all for the same date. The consent of the officials in the states having large state and private banks to the adoption of a uniform date for the reports has been given in every case, and it will be possible in the comptroller's report for 1899 to compare directly the relations between the state and the national banks and the deposits of the state banks in the national institutions.

Discussing the banking aspects of the fiscal year just closed, Comptroller Dawes said: "The condition of the national banks of the country during this year has been one of progressive prosperity. The changes in the items of loans and discounts indicate this clearly. At the date of the April 5, 1899, call for report of condition the loans and discounts of the national banks of the country had increased \$96,318,460.43 and the individual deposits had increased \$47,944,981.33 over the amounts shown by the call of May 3, 1898. The increase in total assets of national banks of the country over May 3, 1898, as shown by the statement of April 5, 1899, has been \$769,171,302.15, and their combined assets aggregated on the latter date \$4,639,138,160.36. As a whole the national banks of the country have, during the past fiscal year, done a conservative, prosperous and progressive business."

The monthly statement of the comptroller of the currency shows that the total circulation of national banks at the close of business June 30, 1899, was \$241,268,696, a decrease for the month of \$795,858 and an increase for the year of \$12,451,994. The circulation, based on United States bonds, amounted to \$205,264,094, a decrease for the month of \$1,041,860 and an increase for the year of \$3,188,002. The circulation secured by lawful money amounted to \$36,004,602, an increase for the month of \$246,902, and an increase for the year of \$5,265,992. The amount of United States registered bonds on deposit to secure circulating notes was \$229,688,110 and to secure public deposits, \$7,249,940.

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## SOUTH SHY OF BRYAN.

Would Rather be Allied with East  
Than West—Populism is Dead—A  
Southern Democrat Talks.

New York Sun: Joseph J. Willett, president of the State Bar Association of Alabama, who has been selected to make one of the long talks at the Tammany Hall celebration of the Fourth of July, arrived in town yesterday and went to the Hoffman house.

"The Democrats in the south," said Mr. Willett to the Sun reporter, "have no confidence in the Democracy of the west. In 1896 the west was allowed to make the platform and to name the candidate. Both received the loyal support of the Democratic voters and leaders of the south. Two years later we find the west returning a Republican majority to the senate such as has not been known since the period of reconstruction. The west is dividing again and the old lines are restored. We of the south are in favor of going back to the old alignment with New York, Connecticut and Maryland if we can."

"Mr. Bryan has a great many friends in the south—friends such as Blaine had in New England after his defeat for the presidency in 1884, and as Clay had after his defeats—friends of the kind that every defeated candidate has. But while there is this feeling of sympathy and friendship among many Democrats, there are thousands of Democrats who would not be sorry to see some other candidate nominated by the next national convention. Ex-Senator Gorman is not considered as seriously in the race. You know more of his prospects here than we do. Mr. Gorman will not be a candidate in the convention. He may be a candidate before the convention meets, and he may have a candidate whose name will be presented. Mr. Gorman, himself, is not the man to lead a forlorn hope. He isn't the kind of man to get in front of the guns."

"Augustus Van Wyck is very popular in the south. He is not known as well as Bryan is, but he is known and respected. We claim Judge Van Wyck is a southerner. He is as much ours as he is yours. He is one of our own people. He was educated in the south and in the north, and he married a Richmond lady. Throughout the south there are thousands of people who know him or of him, and they all admire him."

"Of the platform which will be adopted at the next convention it is a little early to speak. Throughout the south there is a feeling that tariff reform and anti-trust planks should have a prominent place. The people in the southern states believe in a tariff for revenue only. Silver has many friends and will continue to have friends until the banking facilities of the south are improved. I recently received a letter from Mr. Walker, of Massachusetts, the chairman of the currency commission, in which he said that there was \$600,000,000 less capital in the south now than there was in 1890. So long as this condition of affairs remains unchanged, the people will seek for some measure of relief, and on account of it many voters favor the silver plank of the Chicago platform. To offset them there is a large number—thousands of voters—who do not believe that silver can win. Besides, the Senate will be Republican for six years to come and there would be no hope of passing a free silver measure, even if a successful campaign could be conducted on that issue."

"As for Populism, it is dead now. It would revive if the Democratic party should abandon silver, however. You see, we're between Scylla and Charybdis. If we stick to free silver we lose the north and the east. The Democrats there will do just as they did in 1896. If, on the other hand, we don't stick to free silver, we will lose the Populists who are now in the party."

## F Pluribus Unum.

Washington Post: A vastly greater and far more widely extended conspiracy than the darkly diabolical "crime of '73," and having for its object the same fell purpose, has been going on all over the world for the last thirty-one months or thereabouts. It may properly be described as the e pluribus unum conspiracy, or many separate conspiracies, merged in one gigantic and sustained onslaught on 16 to 1. "All are but parts of one stupendous whole."

On the very day after the November election of 1896, all the gold coins in the United States conspired to come out of the recesses in which they had waited till the cloud rolled by and to give a fresh and wholesome impetus to business that had suffered from semi-paralysis through fear of silver monetization. All the gold mines on earth from Alaska's icy mountains to Africa's burning sands have conspired to increase their output in order to refute the dire predictions made by Mr. Bryan in that great campaign. The people have conspired to prefer paper to gold, leaving the treasury vaults full of the yellow metal.

Meanwhile our manufacturers have conspired to get a firm hold on foreign markets, and our farmers have increased their exports so that, in a single year, we sold abroad \$600,000,000 worth more than we bought—six hundred millions in gold. Employers of labor got up a conspiracy to increase wages; the farmers conspired to pay their debts and lay by a surplus in bank. The railroads conspired to do more business than they had ever contemplated as a glittering possibility; the mines of coal, iron, copper, lead and other staple minerals conspired to push on the tide of prosperity; the coal oil wells swelled the grand chorus with increasing streams. In brief, all our industries; and in the trend of events at home and abroad the careful observer can detect evidences of the e pluribus unum conspiracy that has supplemented "the crime of '73."

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